

**Sixty-fourth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota  
In Regular Session Commencing Tuesday, January 6, 2015**

HOUSE BILL NO. 1304  
(Representatives K. Koppelman, Brabandt, Klemin, Olson, Paur)  
(Senator Armstrong)

AN ACT create and enact a new section to chapter 12.1-01, a new section to chapter 14-10, and a new section to chapter 27-20 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the presumption of an individual's legal date of birth.

**BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:**

**SECTION 1.** A new section to chapter 12.1-01 of the North Dakota Century Code is created and enacted as follows:

**Presumption of age.**

1. In determining an individual's age for purposes of this title, the individual's date of birth as provided by any of the following is presumed to be the individual's legal date of birth:
  - a. A state government in the form of a birth certificate, other state-issued identification, or a certified copy of a birth certificate that includes the individual's date of birth;
  - b. The United States government in the form of a tribal identification document, military identification, passport, passport card, permanent resident card, certificate of United States citizenship, certificate of naturalization, border crossing card, visa, or other entry document that includes the individual's date of birth; or
  - c. A foreign government in the form of a passport, driver's license, or other foreign government-issued identity document that includes the individual's date of birth. If there is a conflict between government issued forms, a government issued birth certificate or a certified copy of a birth certificate takes precedence.
2. The presumption in subsection 1 may be rebutted by clear and convincing evidence to the contrary.

**SECTION 2.** A new section to chapter 14-10 of the North Dakota Century Code is created and enacted as follows:

**Presumption of age.**

1. In determining an individual's age for purposes of this chapter, the individual's date of birth as provided by any of the following is presumed to be the individual's legal date of birth:
  - a. A state government in the form of a birth certificate, other state-issued identification, or a certified copy of a birth certificate that includes the individual's date of birth;
  - b. The United States government in the form of a tribal identification document, military identification, passport, passport card, permanent resident card, certificate of United States citizenship, certificate of naturalization, border crossing card, visa, or other entry document that includes the individual's date of birth; or
  - c. A foreign government in the form of a passport, driver's license, or other foreign government-issued identity document that includes the individual's date of birth. If there is a conflict between government issued forms, a government issued birth certificate or a certified copy of a birth certificate takes precedence.

2. The presumption in subsection 1 may be rebutted by clear and convincing evidence to the contrary.

**SECTION 3.** A new section to chapter 27-20 of the North Dakota Century Code is created and enacted as follows:

**Presumption of age.**

1. In determining an individual's age for purposes of this chapter, the individual's date of birth as provided by any of the following is presumed to be the individual's legal date of birth:
  - a. A state government in the form of a birth certificate, other state-issued identification, or a certified copy of a birth certificate that includes the individual's date of birth;
  - b. The United States government in the form of a tribal identification document, military identification, passport, passport card, permanent resident card, certificate of United States citizenship, certificate of naturalization, border crossing card, visa, or other entry document that includes the individual's date of birth; or
  - c. A foreign government in the form of a passport, driver's license, or other foreign government-issued identity document that includes the individual's date of birth. If there is a conflict between government issued forms, a government issued birth certificate or a certified copy of a birth certificate takes precedence.
2. The presumption in subsection 1 may be rebutted by clear and convincing evidence to the contrary.

Verly H. Bulth  
Speaker of the House

Dick Deen  
President of the Senate

Buell J. Reich  
Chief Clerk of the House

Gene Chubb  
Secretary of the Senate

This certifies that the within bill originated in the House of Representatives of the Sixty-fourth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota and is known on the records of that body as House Bill No. 1304.

House Vote:      Yeas 91              Nays 0              Absent 3

Senate Vote:    Yeas 45              Nays 0              Absent 2

Buell J. Reich  
Chief Clerk of the House

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Jack Dalrymple  
Governor

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Alvin J. Jager  
Secretary of State